

PLAY TO OPEN THE ARMORIES KNOCKED OUT BY BOXING BOARD

N. Y. Herald's COLUMN

NO DRASTIC CHANGE IN FOOTBALL RULES FOR YEARS TO COME

National Collegiate Athletic Association Considers Present Game a Big Success.

By William Abbott.

The administration of college sports will be little changed. The annual meeting of the National Collegiate Athletic Association held yesterday at the Astor was like a temper tantrum. There will be no fundamental changes in football rules for several seasons. Unanimous vote to withdraw from any connection with American Olympic Committee under present organization. College authorities favored a new national federation, but this move was practically nullified when it was decided to delay action that would make such an organization administrative in its powers.

A sharp division of opinion broke when debate started on the proposed new national federation that should supersede all other bodies. The opposition was led by Dean McClenahan of Princeton.

After Gen. Palmer Pierce, head of the N. C. A. A., finished pointing out the need and advantage of a new national federation, Dean McClenahan fired a broadside of objections. "This would mean an active control of athletics, and if this action is passed Princeton will withdraw from this association," said Dean McClenahan.

Princeton's stand encouraged other objectors. The convention hall was never so popular and that never before had so many students participated in athletics.

Gen. Pierce in his opening address pictured the growth of college sports under the direction of the N. C. A. A., and that athletics were steadily reaching a higher plane. But the head of the big collegiate association pointed out there's still lots of work to do to reform prevailing conditions, and among several recommendations offered were the abandonment of training tables and extra coaching methods and the curtailing of the number of professional football players among the preparatory and high schools of the land.

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WHILE WORKING AS A LABORER HE BENT A 9 INCH RAIL OVER HIS KNEE

MARIJAN MATIJEVIC THE STRONG MAN OF EUROPE

This Marvel of Strength Can Break Anything but Our Laws on Immigration

Matijevic Detained at Ellis Island and Wants to Prove He Is "Strongest Man in World."

By Robert Boyd.

THE rigid immigration laws of this country are the barriers that prevent Marijan Matijevic, a husky Jugo-Slav, from proving to Americans that he is the rightful owner of the title, "World's Strongest Man."

Matijevic, standing a few inches short of six feet and weighing close to 200 pounds, arrived at Ellis Island from the French liner Lorraine two days ago. He was detained by the authorities until yesterday pending a hearing on the quota of his race now in this country. They found that the quota had been exceeded, so Matijevic was held with the privilege of appealing to Washington.

He was dressed in the style of a French polo player, in military fashion. When the officials at the hearing announced that he would be unable to land, this Jugo-Slav Hercules broke down and wept like a child. Even the calloused ship news reporters who witnessed the breakdown of this European strong man were moved by his disappointment.

In America, little is known of Matijevic. His feats of strength during the Lorraine westward trip were widely acclaimed. He carried an iron bar an inch in diameter until it resembled a spring; he tore through a telephone box and European playing cards. In Continental Europe he is recognized as Hercules was during the mythical age.

A large volume of press clippings in Italian, French, English and German attest his superhuman feats of strength.

He was born in Cracuen, in the Province of Liki, Jugo-Slavia, thirty-five years ago. He received no education and was forced to seek a livelihood working in mines throughout

Europe and building railroads through the mountainous sections of Central Europe. He said through an interpreter at Ellis Island that he discovered his strength one day while building a railroad in the north of Germany. Two lengths of steel rail had to be bent to make a sharp turn around a steep mountain. There was no device available for bending the rails and Matijevic proceeded to bend the rails in between two large rocks. After this feat of strength, friends of Matijevic induced him to give up his work as a laborer and take up wrestling.

In his scrapbook in German is written a brief account of his first attempt at wrestling. The affair took place a few miles from the City of Berlin in 1903. His opponent was a German police officer named Matijevic. After this feat of strength, friends of Matijevic induced him to give up his work as a laborer and take up wrestling.

In 1917 he visited Fiume and wrestled in a tournament billed as an international championship. Among the most celebrated of the opponents he disposed of was Rayevica, brother of the famous Rayevica. The other wrestlers he defeated in impressive style were: Ferdinand Divari, Ertori, Tiborio; Zavatta, Attilio Corti, and Paolo Moretti.

Matijevic dances his national Kolo with nine barrels strapped on his shoulders, each barrel containing 50 litres of water.

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LIVE WIRES

BY NEAL R. O'HARA.

Hank O'Day has gone from the National to the Pacific League—if it is possible for any league to be pacific for an umpire.

Having finished his football career, Bo McMillin will sign a \$10,000 contract to coach and a million-dollar contract to marry.

Fred Fulton is on the trail of a scrap with Dempsey. And if Fred could stand up as long in minutes as he does in inches he might make a decent match for Jack, at that.

Dempsey is tired of vaudeville. The only three-a-day performance that Jack can stand is eating.

National League will have a new umpiring staff next season. Everybody makes mistakes and the N. L. is trying to give everybody a fair chance to make 'em.

California elected Wilson in 1916, but this year it's out to beat Washington and Jefferson.

Zbyzsky goes under the nickname of "Blasphemy" and the evidence shows he is of the Tartar brand.

Boston is enjoying indoor football these winter evenings, showing that while there is nothing new under the sun, there are a few novelties under the arc lights yet.

Tex Rickard won't stand for a challenge like that. If football can be played indoors, watch Tex stage an international yacht race in Madison Square Garden next summer.

COLUMBIA BEATS HARVARD, RETAINING CHESS TITLE.

MYRICK RENOMINATED LAWN TENNIS PRESIDENT

Defeating Harvard by a score of 21 to 14 and thereby winning their third match in succession, Columbia's chess players maintained their supremacy in the "C. H. Y. P." College Chess League in the final round of the twenty-ninth annual tournament at the rooms of the Brooklyn Chess Club yesterday.

The Blue and White, now champions for the sixteenth time, finished far ahead of the other colleges, having four full points to spare.

Princeton, with a 34-14 victory over Yale, managed to squeeze into second place, half a game ahead of Harvard. The Crimson, in turn, were a full point in advance of Yale, last place being the lot of Ed.

Columbia's champion team, the members of which set the customary gold medals, consisted of M. A. Schapiro, '23; O. Frink Jr., '22; P. Wolson, '22, and B. Rosenberg, '22. The only one to lose a game in the entire series was Schapiro, who, at the top board, lost to Capt. K. O. Mott-Smith of Harvard yesterday, thus softening somewhat the humiliation of the New Englanders.

Mott-Smith, who also won his game from Schapiro a year ago, outwitted his opponent in a close race and pawn ending. Columbia, incidentally, claims the American intercollegiate championship by virtue of the victory over Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston earlier in the season.

At the annual breakfast at the Hotel Sherman Square it was voted to hold the next meeting of the "C. H. Y. P." League in New York on Dec. 27, 28 and 29, 1922. George Wallace Jarman Jr. of New York City was elected to the Board of Managers.

BOB M'LEAN TO GO AFTER WORLD'S SKATING RECORD.

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Bobby McLean, former world's champion and peer of all professional skaters in the United States, to-day will make an attempt to lower the world's record for 441 yards in conjunction with the Middle Atlantic outdoor championships in this city next Monday.

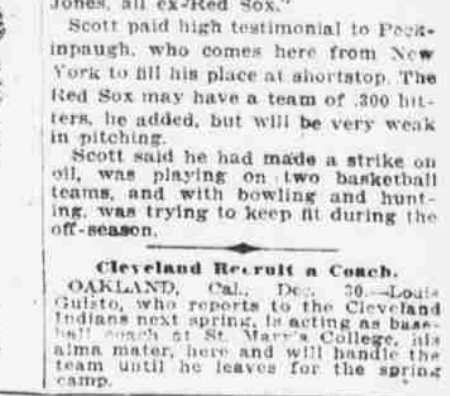
The record for this distance, 25:14 seconds, was established by Howard P. Mosher, a native of this city, in a meet in New York City in 1918. McLean already holds the world's record for 10 yards. He is training in Newburgh City now for his attempt to smother a new world's mark.

TO HELP BOSTON IS FIRST CHOICE OF EVERETT SCOTT

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Only One Collegian In the Semi-Finals of Junior Tennis Tourney

Two High School Stars Among Survivors in National Play at 7th Regiment Armory.

Harvard. Miles is of the fighting type. There was a decisive about his strokes that soon laid the Harvard star upon the defensive. From start to finish Miles pumped at the net. His shots went straight through the opponent's court with a pace that often defied a reply from Roullet. The latter held out a driving ace but Miles' fact that in the semi-final where he encounters Dawson this morning.

The progress of the doubles into the semi-final round brought out one young player, Kenneth Appel, who displayed remarkable qualities of stamina and skill. Appel was beaten by Grevel Ackles in the semi-final of the boys' singles. The Princeton star stands at the lone survivor of those who had started so bravely. Yale Harvard, and Princeton, New York University and the others.

Two high school youngsters, William Miles of Stuyvesant and Edgar F. Dawson of Fordham Prep, along with Morton Bernstein of the Harlem Tennis Club, also won places in the advanced round. Their playing was strong, aggressive and of a high type. Still, 6-4, 8-6, and then repeated the score against I. P. Merchant and P. A. Cohen, the Hopkins-Princeton pair, in the last match was unusually brilliant. Altogether he fought his way through to the semi-final of the day.

The semi-final round matches in singles and doubles will be played this morning. The championship finals will be played to-morrow morning.

BARNES AND HUTCHISON WIN CALIFORNIA MATCH

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 30.—Long Jim Barnes and Jack Hutchison won the 18-hole match at the Presidio Country Club yesterday, defeating the club professionals, William McEwen and John MacGregor, 3 and 1.

Presidio is being reconstructed and is one of the most difficult courses in the part of the country. For it is but 78 made by John Black in championship play two years ago, is the best score ever made on the course. Hutchison, playing beautiful golf all afternoon, came within one stroke of making a hole-in-one on the 18th hole at all he would have gone around in the low seventies.

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BROKAW BROTHERS 1457-1463 BROADWAY AT FORTY-SECOND STREET

BOB MARTIN'S CONDITION SOMEWHAT IMPROVED.

TERRA ALTA, W. Va., Dec. 30.—The condition of Bob Martin, heavy-weight boxing champion of the A. E. P., who was injured near here in an automobile accident Wednesday, was somewhat improved yesterday, according to the attending physicians.

Martin slept about two hours during the night and seemed so much better that the physician said he expected him to show steady recovery unless some unexpected complication appeared.

Martin's injuries were chiefly internal. It was added, and several days may be required to show just how serious they are.

Boxing Board Kills Off Promoters Who Would Put Rickard Out of Business.

THE Boxing Commission, by parading the Athletic Board, has found a way to put the kibosh on the proposed opening of State armories for boxing by the announcement that it will grant no more licenses for boxing clubs. This goes for everybody, but particularly for those who were all set for conducting bouts in the military buildings with the big idea of putting Tex Rickard out of commission. The recent statement from the Adjutant General's office at Albany that armories might be used for boxing and wrestling gave these persons a lot of hope and threw a straightaway went off the reel with the threat of legal proceedings to prevent the move.

Some wire evidently had been pulled at Albany. The anti-Rickard forces were about ready to give Tex Rickard a piece of the pie. The proclamation from Messrs. Muldoon and his boxing Board associates gives the Adjutant General the well known last word.

The boxing governors, of course, made no mention of the armories or any other buildings in their official papers, but expressed the opinion that there are in existence more clubs than there is a demand for.

THE Boxing Board is probably right in its contention, but it is pretty safe to assume that if there was no movement on foot in the armories there would have been no such opinion forthcoming. It nevertheless proves the theory that there are more ways of killing a cat than dropping it off the Woolworth building. It gets the arguable body out of a predicament where weight of political oppression might have buried it, and enables Mr. Muldoon to continue his policy of fair play to promoters like Rickard, who, saddled with land taxes and other expenses of maintaining their own buildings, would be embarrassed, to say the least, if opposition to them was permitted by one-night-stand army promoters.

JACK CURLEY, who has been one of those interested in the opening of armories and who has a useful lease on the 71st Regiment Armory, argues that the rental for the buildings would be equivalent to that paid in taxes. He points out that the buildings would be used for only one purpose, whereas Rickard at the Garden has the privilege of running innumerable sporting events, all of which are money makers. "As for saying taxes," says Curley, "Madison Square Garden was not built and never was intended exclusively for boxing purposes. It was built for a variety of other attractions, such as dog, cat and horse shows, automobile, electric and other trade shows were turned out into the street by the present holders of the Garden to find new homes in the various armories. To take Mr. Rickard at his own word, the Garden must that he compete against the armories. He chooses to operate, which line is principally boxing."

"DON'T do as I do; do as I say." is the sum total of advice handed out by football coaches to college football players who would play the game for money. Coming from men who are paid fancy salaries for a couple of months' work in thrilling to the hilt, it is timely advice. If followed it would tend to keep coaching material down to closed corporations and keep it in mind recent offers made to Mr. McMillin to serve as coach in a Texas college, and another is being considered by Killinger, the Penn State star.

Where would the Sanfords and "Hurry Up Youts" have come from if the idea of commercializing athletic ability had been so abhorrent in their day?

No one can countenance the practice of college boys being amateurs and "pro" at the same time; but if they choose to earn some of the overhead, after their college careers are ended, it should be nobody's business but their own.

Johnny Buff is really serious in his intentions to go abroad to fight Jimmy Wilde. He might do as Pete Herman did before he made a trip to beat the English flyweight—leave his title here with Joe Lynch for safekeeping until he returns. It is remembered that Herman lost a decision and with it his bantamweight championship to Lynch, and that he stepped upon a boat for England and never returned.

Two or three days after Herman stepped at the time that if Wilde beat him he would get nothing but the glory out of the battle, while he would have a chance to come home to America and win back his title from Lynch. It is understood that there was an agreement to such an effect between Lynch and Herman, but that when Pete returned he had a hard time making Lynch live up to it. The pair finally met at Ebbets Field, and Herman had no trouble beating Lynch and getting back the championship, which he since lost to Buff. Of course, Buff may go to England and beat Wilde, who must now be eligible for a pension in an old man's home, but there is no use taking chances unless Johnny feels very sure of himself.

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PECK MAY BECOME PLAYER-MANAGER OF WASHINGTON SENATORS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—If a three cornered deal, which is said on good authority to be now pending, between the Washington, Boston and Philadelphia American League clubs materializes, Roger Peckinpaugh, former star shortstop of the champion Yankees, will go to the Senators as player-manager. The deal, according to the same authority, also involves Joe Dugan, third baseman of the Athletics, who is sought by the Boston club. But, as the New York Yankees and the Cleveland Indians are also in the market for Dugan, the bait held out to Peck before he will release the player will have to be mighty attractive. What Washington players are involved in the trade is not known.

Killinger to Coach Dickinson Squad.

CARLETON, P. Dec. 30.—Glenn Killinger, star quarterback of the Pennsylvania State College football team, has been chosen as coach of the Dickinson College squad, according to an announcement made to-day. Killinger will be graduated from Penn State early in the coming year.

300 Middle Report for Boxing.

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